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Chase Infiniti

Chase Infiniti Payne (born May 1, 2000)[1] is an American actress, best known for her roles in the legal thriller anthology television series *Presumed Innocent* (2024), action-comedy-thriller film *One Battle After Another* (2025), and dystopian drama television series *The Testaments* (2026–present), winning the Gotham TV Award for Outstanding Lead Performance in a Drama Series and receiving a Primetime Emmy Award for Outstanding Lead Actress in a Drama Series nomination for the latter. For *One Battle After Another*, she was nominated for an Actor Award, a BAFTA Award, a Critics' Choice Award, and a Golden Globe Award and won the National Board of Review Award for Breakthrough Performance.

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Infiniti in 2026

Born	Chase Infiniti Payne May 1, 2000[1] Indianapolis, Indiana, U.S.
Education	Columbia College Chicago
Occupation	Actress
Years active	2023–present

Early life and education

Infiniti was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, on May 1, 2000.[2][3] She was named after the *Batman Forever* (1995) character Chase Meridian, played by Nicole Kidman, and Buzz Lightyear's catchphrase "To infinity and beyond" from *Toy Story* (1995), and she uses her middle name professionally.[4] Her father, Keith, owns a construction company and her mother, Kim, is a homemaker; her father is African-American and her mother is white.[5][6] She has a younger sister, Dolcé.[4][5]

Infiniti attended the International School of Indiana, a language immersion private school in Indianapolis where she studied French. Infiniti first auditioned for a school musical at age 10. She later transferred to North Central High School where she was extensively involved in music and theatre program. She graduated in 2018.[7] She then attended Columbia College Chicago, graduating in 2022.[8] While in Chicago, she worked as a kickboxing trainer and co-founded the K-pop cover dance group Duple Dance Crew.[4]

Career

In February 2023, Infiniti was announced as part of the cast in the Apple TV+ limited series *Presumed Innocent*.[9] In February 2024, she joined the cast for Paul Thomas Anderson's film *One Battle After Another*, playing the daughter of a former revolutionary (Leonardo DiCaprio).[10] Infiniti submitted a self-tape for the film while filming *Presumed Innocent*. During her callback, she participated in a karate class with Anderson observing; though she was the only beginner, he cast her immediately after the session.[11] Her appearance in the film's trailer led Tyler, the Creator to cast her in his music video for "Darling, I".[11]

Infiniti at the 2026 Met Gala

Infiniti is currently starring in the MGM production[12] *The Testaments*, a sequel series to Hulu's *The Handmaid's Tale*.[13] Showrunner Bruce Miller cast her after seeing her performance in *Presumed Innocent* and her K-pop dance covers, citing her versatility.[11]

In October 2025, Infiniti joined the cast of the coming-of-age drama *The Julia Set*.[14]

On June 26, 2026, she starred in the music video for "Bad" by the K-pop boy band Ateez, in which she portrays a new human form of the Sopro, a spirit character significant to the band's lore. Infiniti is a longtime fan of Ateez.[15][16]

Filmography

Key

†	Denotes films that have not yet been released

Film

Year	Title	Role	Director	Notes
2025	*One Battle After Another*	Willa Ferguson / Charlene Calhoun	Paul Thomas Anderson	
2026	*The Julia Set* †	Julia	Niki Byrne	Post-production; also executive producer[17][18]

Television

Year	Title	Role	Notes
2024	*Presumed Innocent*	Jaden Sabich	Main role, 8 episodes
2026–present	*The Testaments*	Agnes MacKenzie / Hannah Bankole	Main role, 10 episodes[19]

Music videos

Year	Song	Artist	Role	References
2025	"Darling, I"	Tyler, the Creator		[20]
2026	"Bad"	Ateez	Sopro	[15][16]

Accolades

On October 19, 2025, Infiniti was named one of *Variety*'s "10 Actors to Watch" at the Newport Beach Film Festival.[21][22] In December 2025, Infiniti was announced as one of BAFTA's "Breakthrough U.S." cohort, for her work in *Presumed Innocent* and *One Battle After Another*.[23]

Organizations	Year	Category	Work	Result	Ref.
AACTA International Awards	2026	Best Actress	*One Battle After Another*	Nominated	[24]
Actor Awards	2026	Outstanding Performance by a Cast in a Motion Picture		Nominated	[25]
		Outstanding Performance by a Female Actor in a Leading Role		Nominated	
Alliance of Women Film Journalists	2025	Best Women's Breakthrough Performance		Won	[26]
		Best Stunt Performance		Won	
Astra Film Awards	2026	Best Actress - Comedy or Musical		Nominated	[27]
		Best Cast Ensemble		Nominated	
Austin Film Critics Association	2025	The Robert R. "Bobby" McCurdy Memorial Breakthrough Award		Won	[28]
Black Reel Awards	2026	Outstanding Lead Performance		Nominated	[29]
		Outstanding Breakthrough Performance		Nominated	
British Academy Film Awards	2026	BAFTA Rising Star Award	—	Nominated	[30]
		Best Actress in a Leading Role	*One Battle After Another*	Nominated	
Chicago Film Critics Association	2025	Most Promising Performer		Won	[31]
Critics' Choice Movie Awards	2026	Best Actress		Nominated	[32]
Dallas–Fort Worth Film Critics Association	2025	Best Actress		5th place	[33]
Florida Film Critics Circle	2025	Pauline Kael Breakout Award		Won	[34]
Georgia Film Critics Association	2025	Best Actress		Nominated	[35]
		Breakthrough Performance		2nd place	
		Best Ensemble		Won	
Golden Globe Awards	2026	Best Actress in a Motion Picture – Musical or Comedy		Nominated	
Gotham Awards	2025	Breakthrough Performer		Nominated	[36]
Gotham TV Awards	2026	Outstanding Lead Performance in a Drama Series	*The Testaments*	Won	[37]
Houston Film Critics Society	2026	Best Actress	*One Battle After Another*	Nominated	[38]
London Film Critics' Circle	2026	Breakthrough Performer of the Year		Nominated	[39]
NAACP Image Awards	2026	Outstanding Breakthrough Performance in a Motion Picture		Nominated	
National Board of Review	2026	Breakthrough Performance		Won	[40]
New York Film Critics Online	2025	Breakthrough Performance		Won	[41]
Primetime Emmy Awards	2026	Outstanding Lead Actress in a Drama Series	*The Testaments*	Pending	[42]

Organizations	Year	Category	Work	Result	Ref.
San Diego Film Critics Society	2025	Breakthrough Performance	*One Battle After Another*	Won	[43]
Santa Barbara International Film Festival	2026	Virtuoso Award		Won	[44]
Satellite Awards	2026	Best Actress in a Motion Picture – Drama		Nominated	[45]
St. Louis Film Critics Association	2025	Best Actress		Nominated	[46]
		Best Ensemble		Won	
Toronto Film Critics Association	2025	Outstanding Breakthrough Performance		Nominated	[47]
Washington D.C. Area Film Critics Association	2025	Best Actress		Nominated	[48]
		Best Ensemble		Nominated	

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